

On merchants at Chihuahua. The statement says:

Breaks Up Monopoly.
"To further the work of alleviating distress through scarcity of food, General Villa has been compelled to take action to break up efforts to monopolize supplies in Chihuahua. It is untrue, however, that any merchants have been expelled from the country. In reply to inquiry by the confidential agency, Diaz Lombardo, minister of foreign affairs, wired from Chihuahua:

PLANS RECEPTIONS FOR POSTMASTERS

Joint Committee of Citizens' Associations Discuss Entertainment At Convention.

Plans for the entertainment of more than 1,000 first and second class postmasters who will meet in convention here in October were discussed at a meeting of the executive committee of the joint conventions committee of the Chamber of Commerce, the Board of Trade, and the Retail Merchants Association today.

The committee will communicate with Mr. J. C. Weid, chairman of the committee of the International Association of Dairy and Milk Inspectors, to meet in October at a place not yet decided upon, and an invitation will be extended to that body to meet here. No word has been received from the National Association for the Benefit of the Deaf, which was invited here for its convention next July.

Badges and literature will be sent to the International Engravers' Union of North America in session at San Francisco this month to urge that body to come here for their meeting next August.

C. J. Goeckler, chairman of the executive committee, presided, and Thomas Grant was secretary.

American Tourists Missed by English

Incomes of Inkeepers in Small Towns Are Greatly Decreased As War Continues.

ILFRACOMBE, England, Aug. 2.—"You are the first Americans we have seen this season and a year ago there was never a day without many of them," said the manager of a well known inn in this Devon town so popular with tourists. It is the same story in Somerset, Warwickshire, Devon or Cornwall. In Stratford-upon-Avon, the register for this week last year and counted forty-six American names. The register was full of "New York," "Boston," "Chicago," "Memphis" and few other than American guests were recorded there. Now the fear of raids on the east coast has helped these western resorts a little, but the easy-going American tourist is sorely missed and the regular coach trips have been abandoned.

The thatched roofs, rose-covered walls, picturesque moors, rocky cliffs and all the attractions of the English coast are no longer welcomed because no longer received.

W. J. Boardman Will Be Buried At Rock Creek

The Rev. Edwin A. Dunlap, of St. John's Episcopal Church, will conduct the funeral services for W. J. Boardman at the home, 1801 P street, at 10:30 o'clock tomorrow morning. Interment at Rock Creek Cemetery will be private.

Found Not Guilty of Violating Bottle Law

John W. Gregg, charged with violation of the milk bottle law, was found not guilty by a jury today on the ground that this patron did not buy the bottle itself, but rather only the contents.

He was to be tried by a jury, but Attorney Matthew E. O'Brien, his counsel, raised the question as to the ownership of bottles given to patrons, and Judge Pugh found the bottles were not actually sold.

Germans in East Aided By Lord, Says Kaiser

BERLIN (via Wireless to Sayville), Aug. 3.—"The One Above has helped us," responded the Kaiser, when Cardinal Hartmann congratulated him on the success of the eastern campaign.

The cardinal related the incident during pontifical services yesterday.

THE WEATHER REPORT.

Forecast for the week beginning August 4.—Showers Wednesday will be followed by generally fair weather during the remainder of the week with moderate temperatures prevailing for at least four or five days.

The forecast for the District of Columbia—Unsettled tonight and Wednesday with probable showers; no decided change in temperature; moderate winds, mostly easterly.

Maryland—Unsettled tonight and Wednesday with probable showers; no decided change in temperature; moderate winds, mostly easterly.

Virginia—Unsettled tonight and Wednesday with probable showers; slightly cooler tonight, winds becoming easterly, probably increasing.

TEMPERATURES.
U. S. BUREAU OF WEATHER.
AUG. 3.—7:00 a. m. 77. 8 a. m. 78. 9 a. m. 79. 10 a. m. 80. 11 a. m. 81. 12 noon 82. 1 p. m. 83. 2 p. m. 84. 3 p. m. 85. 4 p. m. 86. 5 p. m. 87. 6 p. m. 88. 7 p. m. 89. 8 p. m. 90. 9 p. m. 91. 10 p. m. 92. 11 p. m. 93. 12 p. m. 94.

MUNITIONS SHORTAGE IS CALLED CRIMINAL

Russian Duma Demands That Government Prosecute Responsible Ones.

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but do not indicate their exact distance from the river. Military men, however, point out that, if the Germans have the unlimited supplies of ammunition credited to them in Berlin reports, they will be able to continue indefinitely their terrific drives, eating through Warsaw's northern defenses mile by mile until the comparatively small force of Russians still defending the city is forced to retire.

The war office declares that the Russian positions along the Bug, near Vysok, are good, and that there is no ground for the belief that the Germans can crush their way through to Warsaw-Petrograd railway by a short campaign. On the contrary it is declared possible that Russian tenacity and stamina may yet prove a match to the enemy's superiority in weight of guns and metal.

Air Raid on Praga.

Official dispatches today dealing with the German air attack on Warsaw last Saturday said that seven persons were killed and fourteen wounded. The aviators attempted to destroy the river bridges connecting Warsaw with its suburb of Praga, on the right bank of the Vistula, a move that might have hindered the retreat of the last of the Russian defenders. Bombs aimed at the bridges fell harmlessly into the river.

Military men today turn their attention almost exclusively to the movement on Warsaw from the north, along the Narva-Petrograd railway. The Germans appear to have been definitely checked in their attacks on the Blonie-Gorka-Kalvaria line extending from west to south of the city.

The actions around Ivangorod and in the Lublin district are declared to be progressing to the advantage of the Russians, who are withdrawing at some places.

Heavy Losses Felt By Germans in Attacks Made on French Lines

PARIS, Aug. 3.—Around Souchez and in the Vosges, the Germans lost heavily in repeated attacks against the French trenches throughout yesterday and last night. Every assault was repulsed, according to official communiqués from the war office this afternoon.

Attacks with grenades kept the French infantry on the alert all day. In the Souchez region, the Germans showered hand bombs in attempts to rush the French positions, but were forced to fall back, their lines riddled by machine-gun fire.

Souchez was bombarded during the night with no great damage. At several other points along the valley of the Aisne, the German artillery was active. Farther east, in the Argonne, the enemy launched unsuccessful attempts to regain ground previously taken by the French. On the Meuse heights, Eparges was heavily bombarded by the Germans, but without result.

Russia Satisfied With Efforts of Allies, Says Ambassador to London

LONDON, Aug. 3.—Pronouncements in the duma, Petrograd and by Count Benckendorff, the Russian ambassador at London, indicate that Russia and England are anxious to brand as unfounded the recurrent reports that the Russian people are disgruntled at the showing Great Britain and France have made in the west, which might create a situation unfavorable to the continued unity of the allies.

No hint of a separate peace or of dissatisfaction with England's policy comes from any authoritative Russian source, and Count Benckendorff made it plain that there had been no criticism emanating from those who understood the military situation.

Count Benckendorff in a statement reviewed Russia's position after a year of war, laid stress on the identity of aims of Russia, Great Britain and France, and asserted that peace was impossible "except on our conditions."

Commenting on the reports that Russia was making efforts to force the entente allies were making in the west, the ambassador said: "The Russian public hoped for a strong offensive in the west while the Germans were making their onset in the east. This may be so, but not a trace of ill feeling has been manifested, and the sober view which considers only military possibilities has always prevailed."

The sending of important German reinforcements from France to our front goes back to the second week of August in a style, when Field Marshal von Mackensen met a crushing defeat on the Narew river took on a stubborn character.

"For every success we have the enemy compensated by piling up against us new forces from the western front, thereby creating favorable conditions for operations by our allies."

Austria Prepares to Begin Invasion of Italy Along the Adige

ROME, Aug. 3.—That Austria will begin a determined attempt to invade Northern Italy through the Adige valley when the Warsaw campaign is ended, is the information brought to Rome from several Swiss frontier towns today.

From some sources it is reported that the massing of Austrian troops and guns between Trent and Rovereto already has begun. This report was partially corroborated in the last official dispatches from General Cadorna, who said observers have reported the arrival of troop trains at the Rovereto station.

At several points along the Tyrolean frontier, particularly in Ledge valley, small Austrian forces have attempted to take the offensive, but have been repulsed in every attack.

The war office today gave out a report from General Dalio, minister of munitions, who has just returned from a visit of inspection to Italian ammunition factories. He reported that the daily output of shells is more than sufficient for the Italian army and that the reserve supplies of munitions on hand are large enough for a campaign of a year.

EMPRESS AND CROWN PRINCESS RETURN TO BERLIN



At left—KAISERIN AUGUSTA VICTORIA. At right—KRONPRINCESSIN CECILIE. They have returned, according to official statements, to Berlin after a visit to East Prussia, and have addressed a letter to the newspapers praising the spirit of the Prussians who have set about replacing the buildings destroyed by the Russians in their two invasions. It was widely heralded a few days ago that they were waiting at Pozen to make a triumphal entry with the armies to occupy Warsaw, which was expected to fall before the German assault.

KAISER DELAYS FALL OF POLISH CAPITAL

German Dominant Objective Believed To Be Capture of Russian Field Armies.

By J. W. T. MASON.

NEW YORK, Aug. 3.—The delay in the fall of Warsaw is due to the far wider ambition of capturing the Russian field armies, which is the dominant objective of the German general staff. If Warsaw's occupation were the sole consideration of the Germans, or even if it were one of several principal objectives, the Polish capital would now be in possession of the Kaiser.

The actual entrance of the Germans into Warsaw, while marking one of the most triumphant offensive campaigns in all history, will yet, in itself, be but an incident of the Polish operations. The capture of capitals has an immense moral effect in warfare, but the capture of armies brings wars to a far quicker end.

The Germans, therefore, are not wasting their strength by concentrating against Warsaw, and permitting the Russian army to move off at will to prepare new defenses further to the rear.

The Germans undoubtedly are planning to press hard continuously against the Russians, and not to abandon their offensive after Grand Duke Nicholas has retired to his reserve positions organized about Brest Litovsk. It is very important for the main German objective against Russia, that the slave be allowed no time to recuperate when they have fallen back from the Vistula line. Therefore, the German general staff must be far more concerned with placing the forces advantageously for following up the Vistula victory, than it is with actually gaining that victory.

Brest Litovsk In Peril.

The Russians show they appreciate this fact by the appeal they are making to France and England to develop an offensive in the west to distract the Germans. It is not that the Russian general staff hopes thus to save Warsaw at the last moment. Rather, the Russians must now be concentrating their attention on how they are going to keep their new Brest Litovsk line intact.

Brest Litovsk is the central munitions station for all Poland. Its loss would be a calamity to the Russians more severely felt than the loss of Warsaw. The Brest Litovsk line is not as strong as the Vistula defenses. If the Germans capture the latter, the former should not present insuperable obstacles. In fact, the present struggle perhaps may be more properly described as the campaign for Brest Litovsk rather than the campaign for Warsaw.

200 Turkish Sailing Vessels Destroyed By Czar's Torpedo Boats

PETROGRAD, Aug. 3.—Two hundred Turkish sailing vessels, laden with coal or ammunition, have been destroyed by Russian torpedo boats along the Asiatic littoral. The small number of such instances was concentrated where it was found available for use by the Russian forces.

An official statement dealing with the raid on Turkish shipping and coal centers along the Black Sea reports that three shipbuilding yards were fired and destroyed by Russian torpedo boats and a coal depot wrecked.

British Submarine Raids Turkish Ships In Sea of Marmora

LONDON, Aug. 3.—The British admiralty last night made public the following statement regarding recent operations in the Sea of Marmora and the Dardanelles:

"The vice admiral commanding in the eastern Mediterranean reports that one of the British submarines operating in the Sea of Marmora torpedoed a steamship of 3,000 tons off the Mudanya pier, which had several vessels alongside. The explosion was very heavy. A small steam vessel close to Karabiga was torpedoed."

A report from Constantinople states

ACCUSE GERMANS OF SLAYING WOUNDED

French Commissioners Also Report on Other Alleged Cruelties By Soldiers.

PARIS, Aug. 3.—The commission presided over by Georges Payelle, president of the French court of accounts, has presented to Premier Viviani the final report of its investigations into acts on the part of German soldiers in violation of the rights of man.

This report contains 12,000 words, and gives evidence gathered concerning the use by German troops of military and civilian prisoners as shields against the fire of French troops, as well as of the employment by the troops of Emperor William of cartridges in which the bodies of the French wounded were used.

The report cites orders given by General Stenger, commander of the Fifth and eighth German brigades, to kill the wounded enemy and to take no more prisoners. Evidence confirming the circulation of this order was obtained from German prisoners belonging to the 11th and 14th regiments.

The report contains also evidence of the massacre of French soldiers as a result of this order. It presents the allegations of soldiers who declare they saw wounded comrades put to death by a rifle shot, a revolver shot, the thrust of a bayonet or a blow from the musket by German soldiers or officers.

Some of the French witnesses testified that they themselves had been victims, but had survived.

The report devotes considerable space to allegations of the inhumanity of the Germans to their prisoners of war, which, it says, is proven by the evidence of this order.

Many prisoners have been shot, while others have had their skulls crushed by the German bayonets of a musket. At St. Die thirty French prisoners were assassinated in this manner by Bavarian troops. The truth of this is evidenced by the names of the men who actually witnessed the executions.

The report concludes with three columns of evidence to prove the barbarity of the German treatment of the firing upon stretcher-bearers, and the taking of prisoners of surgeons.

Kitchener Turns Over His Park to Wounded

LONDON, Aug. 3.—Lord Kitchener has turned the park and gardens of his country home over to wounded soldiers who may roam and pick flowers "as much as they like," according to the warlord's orders.

Summer Suggestions For Baby's Mother

Seasonable Advice on the Health of Children in Hot Weather

No one requires as much food in summer as in winter. Do not overfeed children during the hot weather. Serve only the lighter and more easily digested foods, and make sure the bowels keep normally active.

Most of the troubles to which children seem particularly susceptible in summer have their origin in a constipated condition. The first sign of a disposition to neglect this important function is a mild laxative should be administered promptly. Cathartics and purgatives should never be given to children as they are harsh and violent in their action and tend to upset the entire system. The combination of simple laxative herbs with

BERLIN GETS BULGAR LOAN; TAKES \$50,000,000 NOTES

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NEW GOVERNMENT IN HAITI IS PLANNED

Admiral Caperton Trying to Bring Political Factions Together in Little Republic.

The American Government is now maintaining a virtual protectorate in Haiti.

It is planned that American forces will remain in the island until complete order is restored and the stability of the new government seems assured.

It is thought in official circles that Admiral Caperton will succeed in bringing the rival political factions together and that he will be a speedy establishment of the new government.

Advices from Haiti reflect Admiral Caperton's hope that this will be accomplished. He has sent a commission to Cape Haitien to urge General Blot and General Bobo to join in a conference looking toward permanent peace in the island.

That the American forces will not be withdrawn until there is an understanding of the situation is an understatement. The American eye over the republic is intensified in official quarters here today. General Bobo's revolutionary campaign was predicted on the basis of anything averting of an American protectorate, but it is predicted that recent events have made this Government determined to supervise Haiti's affairs for the present.

The protection of the lives and property of foreigners is necessarily relieving the republic of its financial embarrassment, and a check upon the plundering policy which has impoverished the people during successive revolutionary uprisings and succeeding administrations are elements regarded as justifying a virtual protectorate by the United States Government for the present.

Rear Admiral Caperton reported to the Navy Department today that all was quiet at Port au Prince. The battleship Connecticut, with 500 Marines on board, probably will reach there tomorrow. The force under Admiral Caperton at present is believed sufficient to preserve order.

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Fears Felt For 13 Men On Ship Sunk By U-Boat

LONDON, Aug. 3.—Thirteen members of the crew of the British steamer Hanza, sunk by a German submarine, have not yet reached land, and fears are felt for their safety. Captain Ritchie and eleven other members of the crew, who were on another boat, have landed, according to dispatches to shipping circles.

The Hanza was a 2,500-ton steel screw steamer, owned by W. Christie & Co., of London.

Unanswerable.

"Can you wonder that our statesmen sometimes make mistakes? Why, only yesterday I saw a man going in the wrong direction!"—Punch.

Relief.

"When I shug I get tears in my eyes. What can I do for this?"—Chicago.

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WATCH YOUR NAIL, BATHING POOL PLEA

Fair Femininity Distracts Attention of Carpenters Working at Municipal Beach.

Naughty, naughty nymphs—halting the District's improvements! How can a man hit a nail on the head when the feminine form covered (partially) by those new bathing suits are clustered all about him?

Thus in substance mused Sidney Cousins, newly appointed superintendent of the municipal bathing beach when to his chagrin he realized that the work on the new diving platform at the beach had been halted.

It was "ladies' day" at the pools—that time when the quantity of masculinity permitted within the sacred precincts is ordinarily embodied in three envied life guards and a policeman. But in building the diving platform the District was anxious to have the carpenters work every minute on the improvement until it was completed.

Everything progressed without a hitch until "ladies' day" at the pools. Work slowed down on the platform as the first of the light-clad daughters of Neptune put in their appearance.

"Bang! Bang! Bang!" went the hammers against the nails. Then bang—a long lance while the carpenters took a look—and another feeble bang. Then there were times when no "bangs" at all could be heard.

Finally one of the "dear" carpenters put down his tools and made for the emergency room beside the pools. He hadn't hit the nail on the head at all. His finger had been badly assaulted.

Two other hammers were alternately falling on nail heads however, though not with regularity. Sure enough the carpenter who had been hit by the hammer cat won out. "Ouch!" he ejaculated the second time, and he too went for treatment. Of course, the third poor man couldn't work the nail with all those water sprites alone. So he quit, too.

Well, carpenters are only human, argued the bathing beach officials, who still seek an answer to the question: How can a real man hit a nail on the head regularly when the perils in wearing these Parisian bathing suits? We'll bite. How can he?

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